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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A system for providing call charge information in a telecommunication link between a calling subscriber and a called subscriber, comprising:
 - a first terminal connected to a first local telecommunication exchange; and
- a second terminal connected to a second local telecommunication exchange, wherein call charges arising for the telecommunication link are determined in the first telecommunication exchange and corresponding call charge information is sent as messages to the second telecommunication exchange such that the call charge information is configured for use-usage in real time charging and for service attributes including such as Advice of Charge or Subscriber Credit Limit Supervision while the telecommunication link is in existence.
- 2. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the call charge information is sent to the second telecommunication exchange as APM ISUP message to utilize services and service attributes.
- 3. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 2, wherein content of the APM ISUP message is determined by APPs.
- 4. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 3, wherein the APPs comprise an application-independent part which includes information on the APM ISUP message, and an application-dependent part which includes user data relating to the call charge information.
- 5. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the application-dependent part is coded, as ASE based on a data structure.
- 6. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the call charge information sent creates a call charge account for the called subscriber in real time.

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7. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the call charge information sent determines a threshold value with respect to an upper limit for the call charges to be taken over by the called subscriber.

- 8. (Original) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the call charge information sent indicates the call charges on a display device of the second terminal while the telecommunication link is in existence.
- (Currently amended) A method for providing call charge information, comprising: setting up a telecommunication link between first and second terminals of a calling and a called subscriber, respectively;

sending a message from the first telecommunication exchange to the second telecommunication exchange with the call charge information which is configured for use usage in real time charging and for service attributes including Advice of Charge or Subscriber Credit Limit Supervision;

sending an acknowledgement signal for the acceptance of the call charges by the called subscriber from the second to the first telecommunication exchange; and

terminating the telecommunication link between the calling and called subscribers by one of the subscribers or by a service attribute based on utilization of the call charge information which is configured for use usage in real time charging and service attributes including Advice of charge or Subscriber Credit Limit Supervision.

- 10. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the call charge information is sent to the second telecommunication exchange as APM message to utilize services and service attributes.
- 11. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein content of the APM ISUP message is determined by APPs.

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- 12. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein the APPs comprise an application-independent part which includes information on the APM ISUP message, and an application-dependent part which includes user data relating to the call charge information.
- 13. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the application-dependent part is coded, as ASE based on a data structure.
- 14. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the call charge information sent creates a call charge account for the called subscriber in real time.
- 15. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the call charge information sent determines a threshold value with respect to an upper limit for the call charges to be taken over by the called subscriber.
- 16. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the call charge information sent indicates the call charges on a display device of the second terminal while the telecommunication link is in existence.